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Center; High Rise Development & the Transfer of Floor Area Rights (TFAR) Ordinance



Special Guests: Elizabeth Peterson & Rachel Finfer, Elizabeth Peterson Group; Shay Yadin, Waterbridge Capital; Kate Bartolo, Kate Bartolo & Associates; David Takacs, David Takacs Architects

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TUESDAY, AUGUST 18
5 - 8 p.m.

**SOUTH PARK BID GREEN
CARPET INAUGURAL PUBLIC
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TUESDAY, AUGUST 27
8 a.m. - 1 p.m.

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This position is an excellent opportunity to work in the Central City Association of Los Angeles (CCA) office supporting both the Downtown Center Business Improvement District (DCBID) and CCA. The perfect candidate prefers to wear many hats and will become an integral part of two well-respected organizations leading the Downtown L.A. Renaissance. For more info: [click here](#).

Members **Mike Fong**, **Andra Hoffman**, **Sydney Kamalger** and **Nancy Pearlman**; and Los Angeles School Board Member **Dr. Ref Rodriguez** in addition to representatives from other federal, state and local offices and agencies.

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Government Relations Committee

This week, at CCA's Government Relations Committee, members heard from the Coalition to Save Small Business, the office of Senator Holly Mitchell and Californians to Stop Higher Property Taxes regarding citywide street vending legalization and SCA 5, the commercial property tax reassessment.

The Coalition to Save Small Business raised concerns about the citywide legalization of street vending in Los Angeles. Their concerns include enforcement, trash removal, taxes and permit fees, street vending locations and hours, and the number of permits to be issued. The Coalition also presented street vending rules from the cities of Portland, San Francisco and New York that may serve as a guide or model for L.A. The coalition wants street vending regulations to include an opt-in system for the creation of special Sidewalk Vending Districts, a limited number of city issued permits and sufficient enforcement with penalties that deter noncompliance.

SCA 5, the Property Tax Fairness Amendment, would introduce an annual reassessment of commercial and industrial properties to tie their tax rate to current market value. SCA 5 would overhaul portions of Prop 13, which currently assesses commercial and industrial properties only when ownership is changed or when there is significant new construction. Small businesses with properties valued at less than \$3 million will be phased in over 5 years. Opponents say that the change would cost jobs, deter more businesses from moving into California, and place more burdens on businesses of all sizes in the state. They point to "surgical fixes" that have been proposed to fix loopholes in the current law as a better solution to problems with commercial property tax rates. The bill is currently in the Senate Governance & Finance Committee and would have to pass through both houses with a two-thirds vote in order to move on to the ballot for the 2016 election. The Committee voted to table a vote to support or oppose the bill until more work is done on it in Sacramento.

CCA would like to thank **Matt Rodriguez** and **Jessica Borek**, Coalition to Save Small Business; **Angela Sanna** and **Ellen Moy**, Office of Senator Holly Mitchell; **Joel Fox**, Californians to Stop Higher Property Taxes for their remarks.



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